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*A Newsletter of St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church*

## THE MEETING OF OUR LORD



# St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church

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## Worship Hours

Sundays: Orthros 8:15 a.m. followed by Divine Liturgy

Weekdays: Divine Liturgy 6:30 a.m.

Esperinos: For Major Feasts 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, February 2—Early Morning Liturgy**

+ The Entrance of the Lord into the Temple

**Monday, February 8—Early Morning Liturgy**

+ St. Theodore the Commander

**Wednesday, February 10—Early Morning Liturgy**

+ St. Haralambos the Priest Martyr

**Thursday, February 25—Early Morning Liturgy**

+ St. Fotini

## We welcome new families to our parish!

Now is the time to reach out to your loved ones who have fallen away for whatever reason and bring them back to church. Now is the time to share your faith with others. Together we must grow. Together we must build the Body of Christ. Invite someone to a service or to a church event. We have one of the friendliest communities in the Archdiocese. Let us go out so that they will know we are Christians by our love.

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# Sacraments and Blessings

## 40-Day Blessings:



## Baptisms:



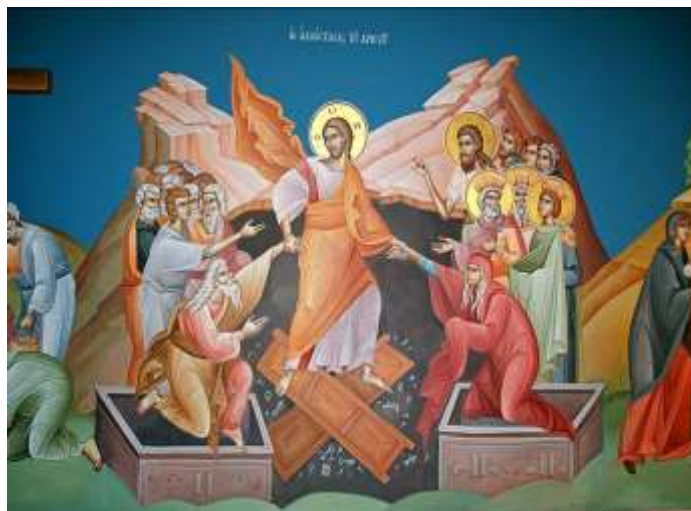
## Chrismations:



## Weddings:



## Funerals:



## Father Dimitri's Message



My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we approach the month of February we encounter a holiday that is primed to both disappoint and lead us away from its true meaning. I would like you to read this article on St. Valentine by Dr. Alex Kyrou.

“Now a commercialized holiday celebrating modern Western courtship and romance, the ancient Christian origins of Saint Valentine’s Day are largely forgotten. The actual Orthodox liturgical feast days of Valentinus (Greek)/Valentinus (Latin) commemorate two early Christian saints, Saint Valentine the Presbyter of Rome (July 6) and Hieromartyr Valentine the Bishop of Intermna (Terni), Italy (July 30). Although the historical records for these two saints are not complete, and what we do know about their lives has often been subjected to considerable confusion, their martyrdoms are well known to us. Because of their refusal to renounce their faith in Christ, both Valentines were imprisoned, tortured, and executed around 270, during the persecution of Christians under the Roman Emperor, Claudius II.

Because they shared the same name, were contemporaries, resided near each other in central Italy, and ultimately shared similar fates, the two Valentines’ personal histories were intermingled and conflated over the centuries, producing inconsistencies and puzzlement in many accounts of their lives. What most sources indicate, however, is that Bishop Valentine was renowned during his lifetime as a healer of the sick and blind, while Valentine the Presbyter would become notable in the historical memory of Christians, originally both Eastern and Western, as a courageous steward of marriage. Indeed, because of his connection to the sacrament of marriage, it would be the latter Valentine, the Presbyter from Rome, who would serve as the inspiration for the late medieval Western literary foundations for what would by the nineteenth century evolve into today’s popular, secular Valentine’s Day.

According to the most common narrative, Presbyter Valentine, a priest in Rome, drew the ire of Emperor Claudius by ignoring the imperial ban against allowing men who had not fulfilled their military obligations to the Empire to marry. Remaining loyal to his moral commitment and beliefs as a Christian priest, Valentine refused to compromise the sanctity of marriage to the will of the state. In defiance of imperial edict, Valentine continued to unite and bless Christian couples, which were legally barred from marrying. This association with young Christian beloveds became the muse over several centuries for an increasingly fictionalized, romantic expropriation and reconstruction of Saint Valentine in the West, one that has led to the modern Saint Valentine’s Day. Indeed, the memory of Saint Valentine became so distorted and uncertain over the centuries that the Roman Catholic Church ended its commemoration and veneration—traditionally associated with mid-February in the West—of him as a calendar saint in 1969, effectively surrendering the historical Valentine to his appropriation and exploitation by Western popular culture.

As in other matters of reverence and faith, the Orthodox Church’s veneration of Saint Valentine remains immutable. Secularization in the West accounts in large part for the papacy’s move to discard the memory of Saint Valentine’s martyrdom in the face of commerce and frivolity, but Orthodoxy still honors Saint Valentine, the Presbyter from Rome, for his martyrdom—and as for all its saints, the Orthodox Church honors St. Valentine as a model of the life in Christ.

For Orthodox Christians, Saint Valentine’s Day is most fully understood as a celebration of romantic love and of God’s love. Indeed, Valentine was willing to sacrifice his life not for *eros*, but in order to sanctify and make whole the union of young couples through the blessing of God’s love. Demonstrating our love for God and reaching our fulfillment in Christ through our relationships with our spouses, families, and communities is a way of life that is at the heart of Orthodoxy. By living a life in emulation of Christ, Saint Valentine shared this fundamental truth of Orthodox Christianity with the world, one that is more beautiful and lasts longer than flowers and cards—it is eternal.”





*Dr. Alexandros K. Kyrrou is Professor of History at Salem State University, where he teaches on the Balkans, Byzantium, and the Ottoman Empire.*

What we see in the heroic story of the Presbyter St. Valentine was a dedication to the holy sacrament of marriage. In today's society, this holiday has become a festival to love in whatever capacity that means. Therefore, individuals are expected to do something "romantic" for boyfriends, girlfriends, or spouses. This holiday focuses not on the love of *filio* (friendship), *storgi* (filial), or *agape* (selfless love), but rather focuses on *eros* (passionate). Erotic love is misunderstood in our modern understanding as lustful desire for another, when eros is better understood as an all encapsulating desire to be with another person; to know that person utterly; all that person's history, aspirations, and dreams. This love is culminated in the Holy Mystery of Marriage in which the two pledge their relationship before God.

So what is marriage in the Orthodox Church? Is it a promise to love each other until death do you part? Yes and no. Rather, marriage in the Orthodox Church is presenting a relationship before Christ our God and asking Him to be part of it, to sanctify it, and to mature it into perfect love. If we look to St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians, he shows us that the goal of marriage is to present one another before the throne of God without any "spot or wrinkle." This means the goal of marriage is to be with our beloved for all eternity with Christ our God. The path of marriage is to walk arm and arm towards salvation, uplifting the other when he/she is weak and being lifted by him/her when you are weak. This oftentimes difficult path develops two people into one as they prayerfully grow closer and stronger in their faith and to one another.

Let us remember that St. Valentine gave his life for this blessed path. He believed in marriage so much that he was willing to die for it for others. For those of us who are married, let us cherish the one God granted to us in both this life and the next. For those of us not yet joined in marriage, let us pray for that special someone God has helped us find.

This holiday honors true love. Let us keep it in faith for the great saint of Christ, Valentine.

I remain your servant in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. Dimitri". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

Fr. Dimitri Tobias



## Parish Council Update

By Jayme Schenk

Greetings to all St. Basil parishioners,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families safe, and that everyone is staying warm this winter.

Parish Council meetings are still occurring every month. Even though we can't meet in person, we are meeting via Zoom. The Parish Council is working on a spring event to be held virtually. More to come in the next few weeks.

We are all hoping that 2021 will return to some sense of normalcy, and to that end, we ask that everyone please mark your calendars for our Golf Outing to be held on July 14 at The Odyssey Country Club in Tinley Park.

Please stay safe. We hope to see everyone soon.

Jayme Schenk  
Parish Council President

## Philoptochos Update

By Nichole Kourvas Drimonas

Greetings everyone,

It's no secret that February is all about hearts — but not just for Valentine's Day! February is American Heart Month, and in lieu of our annual "Go Red" Sunday here is some useful information to keep everyone's ticker ticking!

Nearly half of all Americans have at least one of the top three risk factors for heart disease: high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and smoking.

Heart disease can happen at any age. Look for the signs, and **LISTEN** to your heart.

**L** – lightheaded, faint or dizzy feelings  
**I** – irregular heartbeat, heart flutter or chest pains  
**S** – shortness of breath after light activity or while lying down  
**T** – tiredness, even if you've had plenty of sleep  
**E** – edema (swelling of the ankles and feet)  
**N** – not feeling like yourself (missing out on daily activities)



Staying active and eating heart-healthy are two great ways to take control of your heart health.

Don't skip routine appointments. If you are due for a checkup or are feeling unwell, call to make an appointment with your doctor. Do not delay.

Wear a mask. Be kind. Stay well.

Nichole Kourvas Drimonas  
St. Basil Philoptochos President



## Stewardship Update



Registration for 2021 has begun. You can sign up at <http://www.stbasilchicago.org/our-parish/srteadership/> or pick up a pamphlet at the pangari. We are looking forward to an exciting and prosperous year.

### **2021 Snapshot** *(as of January 28, 2021)*

<u>Stewards</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Collected</u>
77	\$120,489	\$26,200

Saint Basil Stewardship Ministry wants to hear from you. Have any questions, comments, ideas, or feedback? Let us know how we're doing so that we can better serve our church.

**Have you become a steward of St. Basil's?** Visit our website at [www.stbasilchicago.org](http://www.stbasilchicago.org) and click on "Our Parish" and "Stewardship" to learn more, or contact the church office at 312-243-3738 for additional information.

*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matt. 6:21)*

## **2021 Stewardship Challenge**

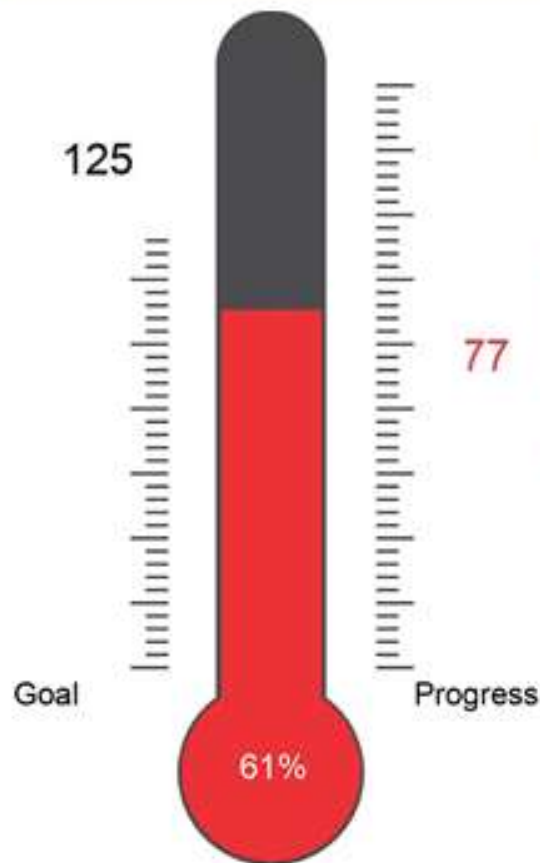
This year, the Stewardship Committee has set an additional challenge to our stewards for the 2021 year. We challenge each steward to become a member of at least one ministry of our parish. With so many to choose from, this should be an easy task. If you want to volunteer, we have philanthropy ministries. If you want to get involved in the life of the Church, we have ministries for that too. Even during COVID-19 there are so many things to do. Join us in making our parish more complete by your presence.

*Embrace the Challenge!*



## PUSH TO STEWARDSHIP APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Let's work together! Our push goal is to have **125 stewards** pledged by **March 7**. Our goal for the year is 190. Let us start the year off right with a solid push.

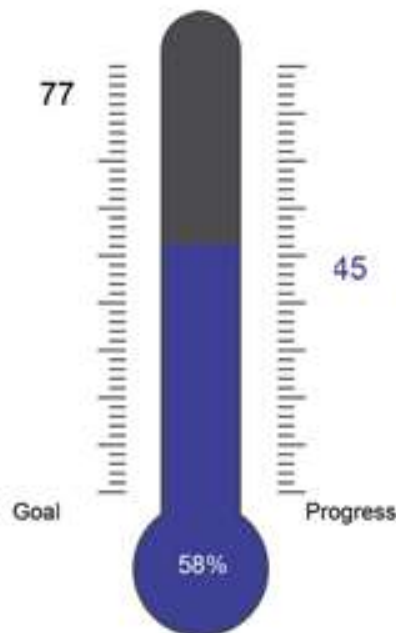


Goal:	125 Stewards
Current	77 Stewards
% of Goal	61%

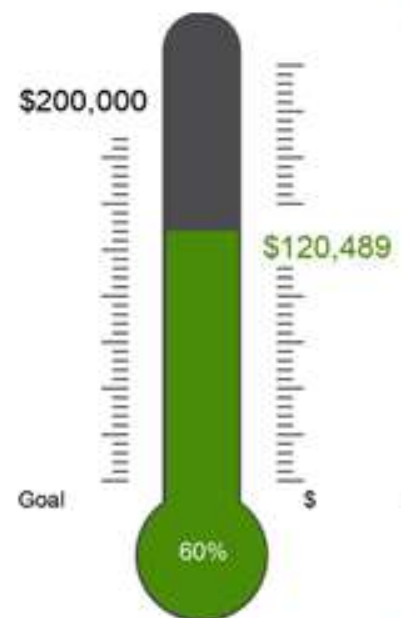
### STEWARDS



### MINISTRY PARTICIPATION



### PLEDGED STEWARDSHIP



As of January 30, 2021



# Stewardship Appreciation Sunday!



In normal years, as a thank you to our stewards who make the ministries of St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church possible, the Stewardship Committee would offer a delicious luncheon. This year, the committee will find a new way to show our appreciation to you all. Stay tuned! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Thank  
you

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# Sunday School

By Jennifer Georgopoulos

The St Basil Sunday School team have been busy preparing lessons for their students. Please take the time to visit the St. Basil Bitmoji classroom to check our library of lessons. Some of the K-4 lessons include the life of St. Xenia and St. Athanasios. YiaYia Stella has also created fun lessons about the Nativity and Jesus' Baptism. Please check out the Bitmoji classroom. The 5 -7 grade class have been learning about the Divine Liturgy and the meaning of the prayers. Our Sunday School teachers have been working hard creating wonderful lessons. Thanks to the families who continue to participate. If you have not joined yet, we would love to have you join us.

Sunday School is offering both in person and on-line sessions. Please remember that to receive instruction students need to be registered for the St. Basil Sunday School program. Sunday School students grades K-4 can access their Sunday School lessons in the Bitmoji virtual classroom on the St. Basil website. Students in grades 5-7 may also access lessons in the Bitmoji through Zoom meets. The older grades meet virtually via Zoom, and class has been a great success. The Bitmoji classrooms, Zoom meets, and lessons are outstanding. Great job to The St. Basil Sunday School team!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Jennifer Georgopoulos at [jenspalla75@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jenspalla75@sbcglobal.net)



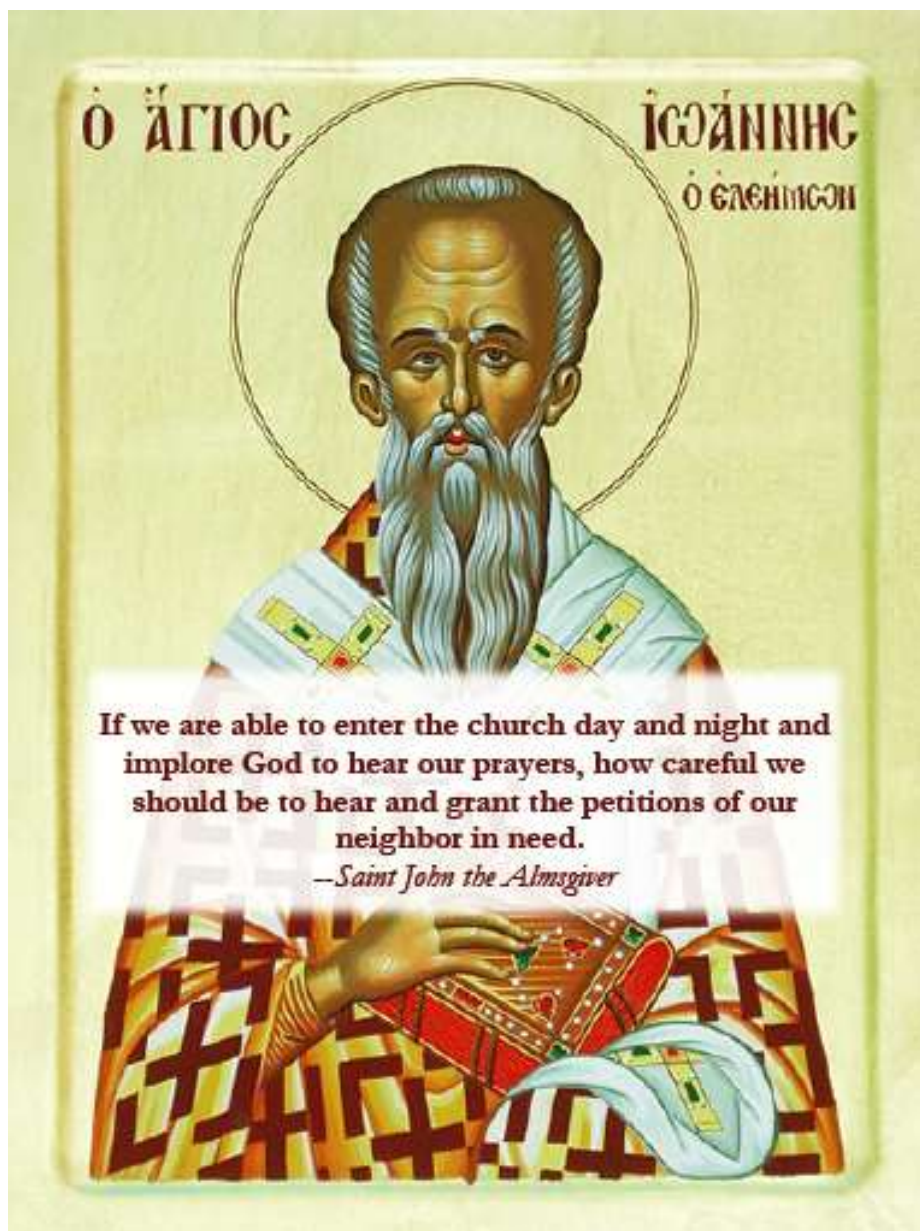
## St. John the Almsgiver Ministry

By Marina Arvanitis

This year, we hope to grow our ministry by finding community partners and applying for grants from the City of Chicago to do new outreach work.

As we do this, we will continue to pack and distribute Almsgiver care packs, blankets, and coats for our neighbors in need. If you're able, there are two easy ways to contribute to the packs:

1. Purchase the items we currently need from our AmazonSmile wishlist. Whatever you purchase will be shipped directly to St. Basil, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to St. Basil through Amazon Smile.
2. Purchase \$10 Jewel-Osco cards during your next shopping trip and bring them to Vicky Crosby in the church office.







Do you work in the city of Chicago?  
Would you like to attend Weekday Liturgies but cannot because of Work? Join us at St. Basil.

## February

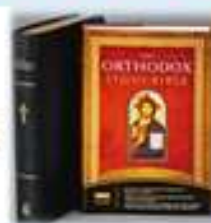
2: The Entrance of the Lord into the Temple      8: St. Theodore the Commander  
10: St. Haralambos the Priest Martyr      25: St. Fotini

Patronal Feasts for the Chicago parishes will not be celebrated at St. Basil  
Please check the [St. Basil website calendar](#) for updates to above schedule Liturgies are  
Livestreamed on the [St. Basil Facebook Page](#)

# ONLINE BIBLE STUDY



**St. Basil**  
**Greek Orthodox Church**  
**of Chicago, Illinois**



**When:** Tuesday Mornings –  
10:00 am – 11:00 am

**Where:** ONLINE VIA

Bible Study  
Covid-19  
Romans



Participate in a Zoom Meeting    Watch on Facebook Live and ask questions in the comments

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TO SIGN UP TO ATTEND DIVINE SERVICES

**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!**

If a family member is unable to use Sign Up Genius, please call the church office and Vicky will help sign up that individual.



# Buying more online these days?



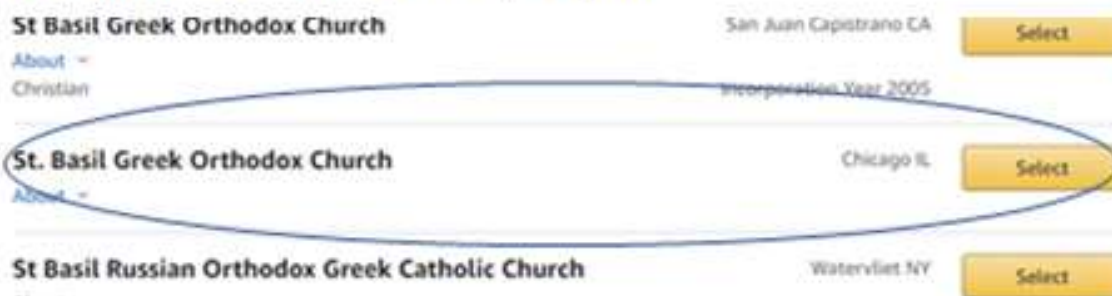
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3. Select St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church, Chicago IL



4. Whenever purchasing from Amazon, make sure you buy your items from [Smile Amazon.Com](https://smile.amazon.com) (you will not need to select your charity again when you sign in).

Encourage your friends and family to make St. Basil Church their charity of choice.

For more information call Vicky Crosby at the St. Basil office, 312-243-3738 or Steve Cole, 312-493-4063.

## **February 2, The Presentation of our Lord into the Temple**



When the most pure Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary's forty days of purification had been fulfilled, she took her first-born Son to Jerusalem on this, the fortieth day after His birth, that she might present Him in the temple according to the Law of Moses, which teaches that every first-born male child be dedicated to God, and also that she might offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons, as required by the Law (Luke 2:22-24; Exod. 13:2; Lev. 12:6-8). On this same day, a just and devout man, the greatly aged Symeon, was also present in the temple, being guided by the Holy Spirit. For a long time, this man had been awaiting the salvation of God, and he had been informed by divine revelation that he would not die until he beheld the Lord's Christ. Thus, when he beheld Him at that time and took Him up into his aged arms, he gave glory to God, singing: "Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, O Master. . ." And he confessed that he would close his eyes joyfully, since he had seen the Light of revelation for the nations and the Glory of Israel (Luke 2:25-32). From ancient times, the Holy Church has retained this tradition of the churching of the mother and newborn child on the fortieth day and of the reading of prayers of purification.

The Apodosis of the Feast of the Meeting in the Temple is usually on the 9th of February. This, however, may vary if the feast falls within the period of the Triodion. Should this occur, the Typicon should be consulted for specific information concerning the Apodosis of the Feast.

### **Apolytikion in the First Tone**

Hail Virgin Theotokos full of Grace, for Christ our God, the Sun of Righteousness, has dawned from you, granting light to those in darkness. And you, O Righteous Elder, rejoice, taking in your arms, the Deliverance of our souls, who grants us Resurrection.

### **Kontakion in the First Tone**

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

## **February 8, St. Theodore the Commander and Great Martyr**



The holy Martyr Theodore was from Euchaita of Galatia and dwelt in Heraclea of Pontus. He was a renowned commander in the military, and the report came to the Emperor Licinius that he was a Christian and abominated the idols. Licinius therefore sent certain men to him from Nicomedia, to honor him and ask him to appear before him. Through them, however, Saint Theodore sent back a message that it was necessary for various reasons, that Licinius come to Heraclea. Licinius, seeing in this a hope of turning Saint Theodore away from Christ, did as was asked of him.

When the Emperor came to Heraclea, Saint Theodore met him with honor, and the Emperor in turn gave Theodore his hand, believing that through him he would be able to draw the Christians to the worship of his idols. Seated upon his throne in the midst of the people, he publicly bade Theodore offer sacrifice to the gods. But Theodore asked that the emperor entrust him with the most venerable of his gods, those of gold and silver, that he might take them home and himself attend upon them that evening, promising that the following day he would honor them in public. The Emperor, filled with joy at these tidings, gave command that Theodore's request be fulfilled.

When the Saint had taken the idols home, he broke them in pieces and distributed the gold and silver to the poor by night. The next day a centurion named Maxentius told Licinius that he had seen a pauper pass by carrying the head of Artemis. Saint Theodore, far from repenting of this, confessed Christ boldly. Licinius, in an uncontrollable fury, had the Saint put to many torments, then crucified. While upon the cross, the holy Martyr was further tormented -- his privy parts were cut off, he was shot with arrows, his eyes were put out, and he was left on the cross to die. The next day Licinius sent men to take his corpse and cast it into the sea; but they found the Saint alive and perfectly whole. Through this, many believed in Christ. Seeing his own men turning to Christ, and the city in an uproar, Licinius had Theodore beheaded, about the year 320. The Saint's holy relics were returned to his ancestral home on June 8, which is also a feast of the Great Martyr Theodore.

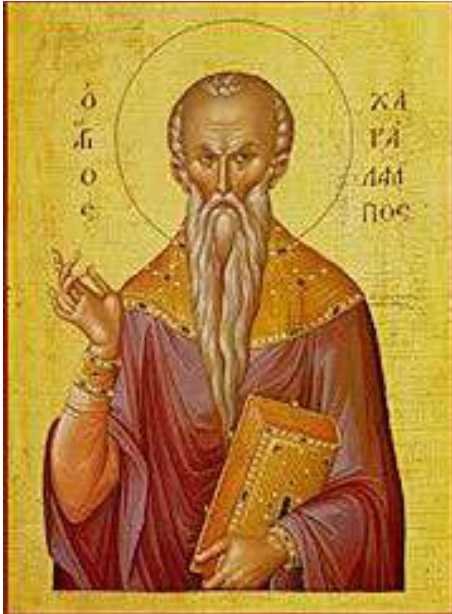
### **Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone**

In truth enlisted with the King of the Heavens, thou didst become for Him a noble commander, O trophy-bearer and Great Martyr Theodore. With the weaponry of faith didst thou arm thyself wisely and didst utterly destroy all the hordes of the demons, as a triumphant athlete of the Lord; wherefore we ever do faithfully call thee blest.

### **Kontakion in the Second Tone**

In courage of soul, and furnished with the arms of faith, thou tookest in hand the word of God as though a spear and didst put thy foe to flight, thou great boast of martyrs, O Theodore; now together with them, O Saint, cease not to entreat Christ our God for all of us.

### **February 10, St. Haralambos**



This Saint was a priest of the Christians in Magnesia, the foremost city of Thessaly, in the diocese having the same name. He contested during the reign of Alexander Severus (222-235), when Lucian was Proconsul of Magnesia. At the time of his martyrdom the Saint was 103 years of age.

St. Haralambos is commemorated on February 10th, with the exception when this date falls on the Saturday of the Souls preceding Lent or on Clean Monday (the first day of Lent), in which case the feast is celebrated on February 9th.

### **Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone**

O wise Haralambos, you were proven an unshakable pillar of the Church of Christ; an ever-shining lamp of the universe. You shone in the world by your martyrdom. You delivered us from the moonless night of idolatry O blessed one. Wherefore, boldly intercede to Christ that we may be saved.

### **Kontakion in the Fourth Tone**

O Priest-martyr, athlete, champion Haralambos, your relics are a priceless treasure of the Church. Wherefore she rejoices, glorifying the Creator.

### **February 26, The Holy Great Martyr Photine, the Samaritan Woman**



Saint Photine was the Samaritan Woman who encountered Christ our Saviour at Jacob's Well (John 4:1-42). Afterwards she laboured in the spread of the Gospel in various places, and finally received the crown of martyrdom in Rome with her two sons and five sisters, during the persecutions under the Emperor Nero.

### **Apolytikion in the Third Tone**

All illumined by the Holy Spirit, thou didst drink with great and ardent longing of the waters Christ Saviour gave unto thee; and with the streams of salvation wast thou refreshed, which thou abundantly gavest to those athirst. O Great Martyr and true peer of Apostles, Photine, entreat Christ God to grant great mercy unto us.

### **Kontakion in the Third Tone**

Photine the glorious, the crown and glory of the Martyrs, hath this day ascended to the shining mansions of Heaven, and she calleth all together to sing her praises, that they might be recompensed with her hallowed graces. Let us all with faith and longing extol her gladly in hymns of triumph and joy.

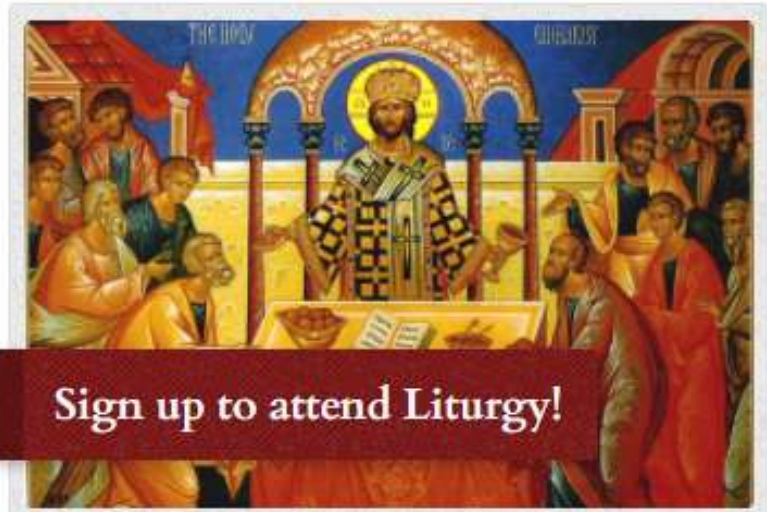


## St. Basil — 2021 Stewards

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## St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church - February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> First Day of Black History Month Parish Council 7:00 pm	<b>2</b> 6:30 am Orthros & Divine Liturgy of the Lord into the Temple 10:00 am Bible Study	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	<b>6</b> 8:30 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy
<b>7</b> 11:00 am St. Basil 5-7th Grade Sunday School	<b>8</b> 6:30 am Early Morning Liturgy for St. Theodore the Commander	<b>9</b> 7:00 pm Great Vespers of St. Haralambos 7:00 pm Great Vespers for St. Haralambos (at Niles parish) 7:00 pm Philoptochos Zoom Meeting	<b>10</b> 6:30 am Early Morning Liturgy for St. Haralambos 8:30 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy for St. Haralambos (at St. Niles parish) 5:30 pm Paraklesis 6:30 pm Online A.R.E. Class	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	<b>13</b> 8:30 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy
<b>14</b> 11:00 am Valentine's Day St. Basil 5-7th Grade Sunday School	<b>15</b> Presidents' Day (regional holiday)	<b>16</b> 10:00 am Bible Study	<b>17</b> 5:30 pm Paraklesis 6:30 pm Online A.R.E. Class	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri	<b>20</b> 8:30 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy
<b>21</b> 11:00 am St. Basil 5-7th Grade Sunday School	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 10:00 am Bible Study	<b>24</b> 5:30 pm Paraklesis 6:30 pm Online A.R.E. Class	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 6:30 am Pastoral Day for Fr. Dimitri Early Morning Liturgy for St. Photini	<b>27</b> 8:30 am Orthros and Divine Liturgy
<b>28</b> 11:00 am St. Basil 5-7th Grade Sunday School						



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